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Earnings forecast and expected dividend

We hereby notify you that at a meeting of the board of directors held on January 31, 2013, the Company decided to revise its earnings forecast and expected dividend for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013 (April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013), which was announced on May 11, 2012, as described below.

1. Earnings forecast

(1) Revision to consolidated earnings forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013 (April 1, 2012 to March 31, 2013)

	Net sales	Operating income	Ordinary income	Net income	Net income per share for the quarter
	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Yen
Previously announcement forecast (A)	6,800	850	800	470	23.42
Current forecast (B)	6,800	950	950	700	34.88
Change in value (B - A)	_	100	150	230	
Rate of change (%)	_	11.8	18.8	48.9	
Reference: Results for the previous fiscal year (ended March 31, 2012)	6,286	733	686	58	2.94

(2) Reason for the revision

Sales of our chemicals for MPU packages were lower than we had assumed owing to a slump in PC sales worldwide, but sales of our chemicals grew in other areas. As a result, there was an improvement in our gross margin, and an improvement in our management structure, such as cost reductions and increased operational efficiency in the group. Hence, we now expect operating income, ordinary income and net income respectively to be higher than the figures given in the previous forecast.

2. Expected dividend

(1) Details of revision

	Annual dividend						
	End of 1Q	End of 2Q	End of 3Q	End of term	Total		
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen		
Previous estimate		4.00		4.00	8.00		
(Announced on 11 May, 2012)	_	4.00	_	4.00	8.00		
Current estimate	_	_	_	6.00	10.00		
Actual dividend for the current term	_	4.00	_				
Actual dividend for the previous		4.00		4.00	0.00		
term(ended March 31, 2012)	_	4.00	_	4.00	8.00		

(2) Reason for the revision

In paying dividends from surplus, our basic policy is to take into account the financial results of the period and estimated future results, maintain the policy of a consistently stable dividend payout, and pay dividends by reflecting the profits of this term. In addition, we have a policy of actively returning profits to investors and stakeholders, and to this end we have set the medium-term goal of achieving a consolidated payout ratio of 30%. Based on this policy, and considering the content of the revision to the earnings forecast released today, we plan to increase the year-end dividend to 6 yen, up 2 yen from the previously estimated figure of 4 yen. This will mean that the annual dividend for the year under review comes to 10 yen per share.

Note: The above earnings forecast is based on information available as of the date of this announcement.

Actual results may differ from the forecast figures for a variety of reasons.